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Re:

In The Matter of the Commission's Ninth Biennial Transmission Assessment ("BTA"), Pursuant to A.R.S. §40-360.02G, of The Adequacy of Existing and Planned Transmission Facilities To Meet Arizona's Energy Needs In A Reliable Manner (Docket No. E-00000D-15-0001)

Buckeye Generation Center Comments on July 5, 2016 First Draft.

To Whom It May Concern:

In reviewing the July 5, 2016 First Draft of the 9th Biennial Transmission Assessment (2016-2025), the developers/owners of the Buckeye Generation Center noted that the description of the project set forth at page 44 of the First Draft does not include a reference to several additional events which have occurred in connection with the continued progress of the project. Briefly summarized, these events are as follows: (i) the project has received the requisite Maricopa County Comprehensive Plan Amendment; (ii) the project has received the requisite Maricopa County Air Permit; (iii) the location of the 230 kV gen-tie line has been determined, subject to final design, and it will be one (1) mile in length; (iv) the project site will also be connected to a 230/500 kV transformer to be located within the 69/230 kV substation to be constructed, owned and operated by Arizona Public Service Company, which will provide access to the ANPP 500 kV Jojoba substation; and, (v) the currently estimated in-service date is now 2020.

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Against the above background, the project developers/owners respectfully request that the following narrative text be substituted for that text which currently appears in connection with the project at page 44 of the July 5, 2016 First Draft:

"4.1.9 Buckeye Generation Center

The Buckeye Generation Center is a 650 MW natural-gas peaking facility to be located on a site within Maricopa County. A Ten-Year Plan was received for this project; and, the project has received the requisite Maricopa County Comprehensive Plan Amendment and Air Permit. This project was considered for the adequacy assessment and included in the Ten-Year Plan statistics compiled for this BTA. Overview maps showing the general routing and interconnection points of this project are included within Exhibits 1 and 2.

The Buckeye Generation Center would include the development of a one (1) mile, 230 kV gen-tie line to connect the project site to a proposed 69/230 kV substation to be constructed, owned and operated by APS. The location of the 230 kV gen-tie line has been determined, subject to final design. In addition, the project site will be connected to a 230/500 kV transformer to be located within the 69/230 kV substation, which will provide access to the ANPP 500 kV Jojoba substation.

The Buckeye Generation Center is sponsored by Buckeye Generation Center, LLC and is intended to add peaking power for Arizona electric utilities and to the interstate electrical grid. The currently estimated in-service date is 2020."

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request and the above-suggested substitute language. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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